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SUBJECT: CONGOLESE COMMENT ON FRANCO-AFRICAN CONFERENCE IN PARIS

1. CONVOLUTED ARTICLE IN SEMI-OFFICIAL CONGOLESE PAPER,
"MWETI", MAY 27, CRITICIZES LAST WEEK'S DISCUSSIONS IN PARIS CONCERNING

A FRANCO-AFRICAN PEACE FORCE AS "OBSTACLE TO PEACE," DESCRIBING
PROPOSAL AS LATEST MANIFESTATION OF WISHES BY "NORTH" TO
EXPLOIT "SOUTH", WHICH EXPLOITATION ALSO HINDERS CURRENT
EFFORTS AT UN DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. WRITER COMMENTS THAT
SHABA EVENTS SERVED SIMPLY AS PRETEXT FOR WESTERN INTRIGUES
IN AFRICA. ARTICLE NOTES THAT "FOLLOWING WESTERN LOGIC
CONCERNING FOREIGN INTERFERENCE," ONE WOULD CONCLUDE THAT
POLISARIO IS INTERFERING IN INTERNAL MOROCCAN-MAURITANIAN
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MATTERS, FROLINAT IN CHAD, FNLC IN ZAIRE, PATRIOTIC
FRONT, SWAPO, AND ANC IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. FYI: THIS IS
FIRST LUMPING OF FNLC IN THIS CATEGORY APPEARING IN
CONGOLESE PRESS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT "MWETI"
IS RITUALISTICALLY DISMISSED BY GOCB LEADERSHIP AS NOT
REPRESENTING THOUGHTS OF GOVERNMENT. TYPICAL OF MWETI'S
SCHIZOPRENIA ARE ARTICLES IN SAME ISSUE HAILING AT ONCE

LIBERTY IN SOVIET LITHUANIA, WHILE URGING ATTENDANCE AT BRAZZAVILLE'S COMMERCIAL "FILM OF THE WEEK," "DR. ZHIVAGO", (WHERE SOVIET EMBASSY PRESENCE HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANT). NEVERTHELESS, ARTICLES DO HAVE TO GO THROUGH CENSORS AND CLEARLY REPRESENT VIEWS OF AT LEAST SOME WITH RESPONSIBILITY. WE HAVE BROUGHT ARTICLE TO ATTENTION OF ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR, WHO HAD NOT NOTICED IT, AND HE PLANS PROTEST TO FOREIGN MINISTER. END FYI.

2. ANOTHER VIEW ON SUMMIT WAS GIVEN BY PRESIDENT YHOMBY, OPANGO TO CONGOLESE TV, UPON HIS RETURN TO BRAZZAVILLE, MAY 30. YHOMBY REITERATED THAT CONGOLESE ATTENDANCE AT SUMMIT WAS AS "OBSERVER", INSISTING THAT THERE IS NO CHANCE CONGO WILL RETURN TO A BLOC "WHENCE ALL CONGOLESE SUFFERING HAS COME." "WE WILL NOT RETURN, FOR A MINUTE, TO THE TRUSTEESHIP OF, ABOVE ALL, A EUROPEAN CAPITALIST COUNTRY."
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